

CLAIMS

I claim:

Sub 2
a2 1. A toy, comprising:
an elongated central member having first and second ends and a longitudinal axis
a sliding collar capturing said central member and adapted to slide freely along said central member
a plurality of resilient rib elements each having first and second ends, wherein said first end of each resilient rib element is fixed to said central member and wherein said second end of each resilient rib element is fixed to said sliding collar, wherein each said resilient rib element urges said sliding collar away from said first end of each resilient rib element, and wherein each said resilient rib element is adapted to flex radially outwardly with respect to said longitudinal axis of said elongated central member.

2. ~~The toy of claim 1, further including a stop element attached to said elongated central member and adapted to limit the sliding movement of said sliding collar.~~

Sub 3
a3 3. ~~The toy of claim 1, wherein said resilient rib elements are comprised of mylar~~

3 The toy of claim 1, wherein said elongated central member is comprised of clear plastic tubing.

Sub 4
a4 5. ~~The toy of claim 1, wherein said elongated member includes an inner chamber wherein said inner chamber includes a plurality of rattling element.~~

6. The toy of claim 1 wherein said elongated member includes an inner chamber wherein said inner chamber includes an air scenting element.

7. The toy of claim 1, wherein said elongated member includes an inner chamber wherein said inner chamber includes an electric lamp.

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~~8.~~ The toy of claim 1, wherein each said resilient rib element includes a creased mid-portion.

Sub 7
a3 ~~9.~~ The toy of claim 1, wherein each said rib element is generally planar

10. ⁷ The toy of claim 1, wherein the plurality of resilient rib elements are formed from a single sheet of material wherein the first and second ends of each one of said plurality of resilient rib elements are integral with said sheet of material.

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